

TO: More at Four Administrators, More at Four Program Contacts, More at Four Fiscal Contacts

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SUBJECT: Planning for More at Four

As you may be aware, House Bill 539 "A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MERGE THE "MORE AT FOUR" PROGRAM WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, INC." was filed yesterday (3-12-09). Because many counties are beginning the planning process for More at Four for the upcoming 2009-2010 program year, my office is receiving inquiries as to what effect this bill has on the established planning procedures outlined in the More at Four Guidelines and Requirements. The answer is none.

Because HB539 has only been filed, it is not law. The legislative process on this bill is just beginning. Therefore, all responsibilities of the local MAF planning committee continue to exist. Leadership remains shared between the school districts and local partnerships as committees move forward with the planning process.

With respect to the budget, little is yet known about 2009-2010 funding specific to MAF. Please know that you will be kept fully informed as information becomes available at the state level.

If you have more specific questions, feel free to contact your program contact within the Office of School Readiness.

http://www.osr.nc.gov/_pdf/MAF--assignmentchart.pdf

As always, thank you for what you do for NC's children.

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